

07-14-95 FRIDAY, JULY 14, 1995

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE

FOR THE 1995-96 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1995

HELD ON FRIDAY, JULY 14, 1995

9:30 O'CLOCK A.M.

IN ROOM 381B OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

Present: Supervisors Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Zev Yaroslavsky,
Deane Dana, Michael D. Antonovich, and Gloria Molina, Chair

Absent: None

07-14-95.1 MORNING SESSION

07-14-95.1.1 2-B

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and statements relating to the proposed 1995-96 County Budget as follows:

1. Statement of Robert C. Gates, Director of Health Services regarding his Department's budget and options for reducing the deficit.
2. Statement of Mayor Steven Gourley of Culver City requesting the Board to consider during their deliberations, the service impacts on the citizens of Los Angeles County and urging the Board to support the Didi Hirsch Mental Health Center.

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07-14-95.1.2 2-B (Continued)

3. Statements of Cecilia Costas, Principal of Macal Middle School in Pacoima, Elizabeth Martinez and Rachel Martinez (Pacoima and San Fernando Health Clinics); Dr. Carol Jennings, Family Practitioner and Director of the South Central Family Health Center; Guido DeRienzo, California District Council 36; Francisco Alonzo; Phyllis Rabin; Susan Shedlow; Lynn Kersey, Children's Advocacy Institute; Elizabeth Forer; Herbert Barr; Chris Cross and Beth Ostheimer, San Fernando Neighborhood Legal Services, Inc. regarding the Department of Health Services' budget deficit and opposed to the closure of health facilities.
4. Statement of Dr. Areta Crowell, Director of Mental Health regarding her Department's unmet needs in the 1995-96 Proposed Budget.
5. Statements of Dr. Jay Nagdimon, Director, Suicide Prevention Center, Jeanne Putman, Toni Sargent, Rosemary Rubin, Horace Phillips, Board of Directors of Family Services of Los Angeles regarding the Department of Mental Health's budget and the importance of maintaining the Suicide Prevention Center.

6. Statements of Bill Mills, Paul Alva, Paula Nova, Tommy Wilkerson, Fern Seizer, Bob Johnson regarding the Department of Mental Health's budget and the importance of maintaining funding for the Didi Hirsch Mental Health Center.
7. Statements of Bruce Saltzer, Association of Community Mental Health Agencies; Ray Durazo; Alex Aloia, Chair, Mental Health Commission; Shayna Hill and Eddie M. Lamon, Service Area Advisory Committee VI regarding the Department of Mental Health's budget and opposed to any cuts in mental health services.

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07-14-95.1.3 2-B (Continued)

The following persons submitted statements this date, for Board consideration, and were received and filed:

8. Statement of Susan Uretzky, March of Dimes, regarding the Department of Health Services' proposed budget.
 9. Statement of Ann L. Evanilla, M.S., Public Affairs Officer, Los Angeles County Medical Association regarding the Department of Health Services' proposed budget.
 10. Statement of Dr. Beverly Feinstein, President, Southern California Psychiatric Society urging the Board to continue the funding for the Suicide Prevention Center.
 11. Statement of Louise Valenciana, Principal, Sparks Elementary School regarding the pilot program called Abolish Chronic Truancy (ACT) Program with the District Attorney's office and requesting continued funding of the program.
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07-14-95.2 AFTERNOON SESSION

07-14-95.2.1 4-B

The Board received and filed and took under advisement requests and statements relating to the proposed 1995-96 County Budget as follows:

1. Statement of Sheriff Sherman Block regarding his Department's budget curtailments which will include the closure of a custody facility, reduced patrol cars in the unincorporated areas, decreased general services support and a reduction in several special units.
2. Statement of District Attorney Gil Garcetti regarding his Department's budget curtailments and the consequences of the cuts.
3. Statement of Frank Roberts, Councilmember for the City of Lancaster regarding the District Attorney's 20% budget cut and the impact it will have on the Lancaster/Antelope Valley area; and also statement regarding the cuts in the Sheriff Department's budget and requesting the Board to prioritize law enforcement as the No. 1 issue.

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07-14-95.2.2 4-B (Continued)

4. Statements of Captain Steve Roller, Compton Police Department regarding the important role of the District Attorney in law enforcement and particularly the Hardcore

Gangs/Crimes Against Police Officers Unit; Assistant Chief Bayan Lewis, Los Angeles Police Department, regarding the importance of the special units; and Chief Steve Port, Hawthorne Police Department and President of the Police Chiefs Association offering support in Sacramento and concerned with the impact the District Attorney's 20% budget cut will have on the criminal justice system.

5. Statements of Richard Close, Sherman Oaks Homeowner's Association; Gail Abarbanel, Stuart House; Betty Fisher, Haven Hills Shelter; Tim Frank, Sierra Club; Tammy Bruce, National Organization for Women and Reverend Al Johnson, Pastor of Greater Evangelist Temple of God and Christ, regarding the District Attorney's budget and the impact the proposed cuts will have on the special units.
6. Statements of Presiding Judge of the Supervisor Court Gary Klausner and Judge Jon Mayeda, Chair of the Municipal Court Judges' Association regarding the Courts' budget, the workload and the "Three Strikes" legislation.
7. Statement of Michael Judge, Public Defender regarding his Department's budget and how the cuts will be implemented.
8. Statement of Bruce Hoffman, Alternate Public Defender regarding his Department's budget; and also statement that only he and his Chief Deputy do not carry a caseload.
9. Statement of Barry Nidorf, Chief Probation Officer regarding his Department's proposed budget and the impact the cuts will have.
10. Statements of Richard Shumsky, AFSME and Alan Clayton, President of the Los Angeles County Chicano Employee's Association regarding the Probation Department budget cuts and layoff of employees; and also concerned with the risk factor if Probation Officers are laid off.

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07-14-95.2.3 4-B (Continued)

11. Statement of Joan Orosco requesting the public hearing period be ordered extended.
12. Statement of Bernice Carter, Director of South Central Indigent Panel requesting the Board to consider renewing her organization's contract.
13. Statement of Roland Konkan, President of Juvenile Dependency Bar offering suggestions for balancing the budget and requesting the Board to implement an efficiency task force.
14. Statement of Jose T. Rodriguez and Celeste Durazo, Mexican-American Correctional Association in support of Probation Department funding at the Maintenance of Effort level of Proposition 172 and concerned with the ratio of Probation Officers to clients.
15. Statement of Robert Genovese regarding the laws for punishment of certain crimes and suggesting that jail time be used only for the more severe crimes as a method of reducing the budget deficit.

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On motion of Supervisor Antonovich, the Board adopted a resolution continuing the 1995 public budget hearings beyond the 10th day, July 14, 1995, for an additional four days which will end on July 18, 1995, for the purpose of receiving written testimony; the Board also took the following actions:

- a. Received and filed and took under advisement various supplemental budget requests and comments made during

the public budget hearings held July 5, 1995 through July 18, 1995, including those received at all meetings of the Board of Supervisors and all meetings of the Budget Committee/Joint Committee of the Whole which were held during the period of January 1, 1995 through July 5, 1995;

- b. Made a finding that a notice of public budget hearings was given in accordance with Section 29080 of the Government Code, that said hearings commenced on the 5th day of July, 1995, pursuant to said notice and have continued as required by Section 29081 of the Government Code;
- c. Closed the public budget hearings for purposes of oral testimony, finding that there are no persons who have not been given the opportunity to be heard; but to allow maximum public input, permit additional written testimony and requests to be filed through the close of business, Tuesday, July 18, 1995, at which time the public budget hearings will be closed; and
- d. Reconfirmed that Budget Deliberations will begin on Monday, July 24, 1995 at 9:30 a.m.

Absent: Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Molina

Vote: Unanimously carried

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The Meeting recessed at 12:50 p.m. following Board Order No. 2-B until 2:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 2:21 p.m. Present were Supervisors Burke, Yaroslavsky, Dana, Antonovich and Molina, Chair presiding.

Meeting adjourned (Following Board Order No. 5-B.)
The Budget Hearings were continued to Monday,
July 17, 1995, for written testimony only. Next regular meeting
of the Board: Tuesday morning, July 18, 1995,
at 9:30 o'clock a.m.

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the adjourned
regular meeting of July 13, 1995 held on July 14, 1995, by the Board of
Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio the governing body
of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and
authorities for which said Board so acts.

JOANNE STURGES
Executive

of the Board of

Officer-Clerk
Supervisors

By

ROBIN A.
Thursday Board

GUERRERO, Chief
Services Division